[*Translation*]

Demand for Opening of Petrol/Diesel Retail Outlets in Mandsaur and Ratlam in Madhya Pradesh

1160. DR. LAXMINARAYAN PANDEY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have received representations for the allotment of petrol/ diesel rerail outlets from Mandsour and Ratlam districts of Madhya Pradesh; and

(b) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) and (b). The representations recived in this regard have been forwarded to the Oil cmpany for suitable action.

[*English*]

Starvation Deaths

1161. SHRI JEEVAN SHARMA:
SHRI CHITTA BASU:
SHRI RABI RAY:
SHRIMATI GEETA MUKHERJEE:
SHRI SHRIBALLAV PANIGRAHI:
SHRI GOVINDRAO NIKAM:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether several starvation deaths have been reported in the country during the last six months;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) the circumstances/ reasons for these starvation deaths; and

(d) the measures taken by the Government against its recurrence?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN):(a). No State has reported any starvation death during the last six months .

(b) to (d). Do not arise.

Cancellation of Petrol Pumps

1162. SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons to whom petrol/diesel retail outlets were sanctioned during November, 1990 to March, 1991;

(b) the number of Scheduled Castes and Sheduled Tribes among them;

(c) whether most of the sanctions have been cancelled later on due to irregularities in the procedure of sactioning; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI. B. SHANKARANAND): (a). 34

(b) 5

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Question does not arise.

Malwi Cattle Research Cum Breeding Centre in Madhya Pradesh

1163. SHRI DIGVIJAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Jawaharlal Nehru Krishi Vishwa Vidyalaya (M.P.) has forwarded a proposal for setting up a Research cum Breeding Farm for Malwi cattle at Rajgarh;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken by the Union

Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI K.C. LENKA): (a) Sir, no such proposal has been received in the Indian Council of Agricultural Research.

(b) and (c). Does not arise.

Tenders for Dehrionsone Coal Stockyard

1164. SHRI RAM LAKHAN SINGH YADAV: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the tenders were invited for setting up of coal stockyard at Dehrionsone;

(b) if so, when the tenders were finalised; and

(c) the time by which the work is likely to be started there?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI S.B. NYAMAGOUDA): (a) to (c). Yes, Sir. Coal India Ltd. had invited tenders for Dehri-on-son stockyard alongwith stockyards on other locations. The tenders have not yet been finalised because the policy on operations of Stockyards is presently under review by the under Government.

[*Translation*]

Western Kosi Canal Project

1166. SHRI BHOGENDRA JHA: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the amount allocated for the construction of the branch canals of the Western Kosi Canal Project has been withdrawn;

(b) if so, the reasons there-for; and

(c) the time by which the construction of the main canal and the branch canals is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI VIDYACHARAN SHUKLA): (a) and (b). Government of Bihar has reported that no amount has been withdrawn from the construction work on Western Kosi Canal Project. However, due to financial stringency, works have been curtailed substentially during the financial year 1991-92 as has been done for other Projects.

(c) The sheduled date of completion is June, 1995.

Waiting List for LPG Connections

1167. SHRI PANKAJ CHOWDHARY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are formulating any scheme for meeting the demand of LPG connections;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the total number of persons on the waiting list in Delhi and various parts of the country specially in Uttar Pradesh seeking LPG connections and the time by which they are likely to be given LPG connections?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) to (c). Efforts are on to provide LPG connections to as many persons and as early as possible . This will, however, be subject to product availability, pending waiting lists with the distributors and annual programme for enroiment of customers.

L.P.G. Connections In Rural Areas of U.P.

1168. SHRI BHAGWAN SHANKAR RAWAT: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have formulated any scheme to provide LPG